

A Proclamation

Whereas The recent, unprecedented snowfall has taken a tremendous toll on the retailers and restaurants in local cities and towns across the Commonwealth; and

 \widetilde{W} hereas access and travel to businesses have been difficult for both patrons and workers: and

Whereas Saturday, February 14th is officially Valentine's Day, a day when many purchases and reservations are traditionally made; and

 ${m \mathcal{W}}$ hereas The people of the Commonwealth are generous and caring; and

Whereas The spirit of Valentine's day is the expression of kindness, friendship and support and need not be limited to just one day

Now, Therefore, I, Charles D. Baker, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim the week of February 14th to February 21st, 2015, to be,

VALENTINE'S WEEK

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to participate fittingly in its existence by extending the spirit of Valentine's Day through the entire week by visiting and supporting local retailers, restaurants, and small and family businesses.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, this thirteenth day of February, in the year two thousand and fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-eighth.

By His Excellency

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